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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner. At least some of the references were recently cited in an International Search Report mailed March 22, 2005. A copy of the search report is enclosed.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted within three months of the filing date of the above-identified application, which is not an application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d). Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2), a copy of each foreign document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided. As this application was

filed after June 30, 2003, copies of the cited U.S. Patent Documents are not included. Copies of the references from the ISR are believed to be available to the Examiner and thus are not provided.

A concise explanation of the relevance of each non-English language document or other information is as follows (37 C.F.R. §(a)(3)):

US 5,708,870 is an English equivalent of JP 4-184309, US 6,055,378 is an English equivalent of JP 10-224680, US 6,118,945 is an English equivalent of JP 11-275897 and US 4,897,683 is an English equivalent of JP 63-237040. English abstracts have been included for the remaining Japanese references.

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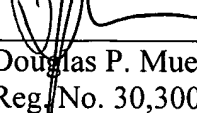
Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

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